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### **THIRD REQUEST FOR STATUS**

Applicants respectfully request a report on the status of the above-identified patent application. This application was filed over 3 years ago, on October 15, 2001, and applicants have yet to receive any action.

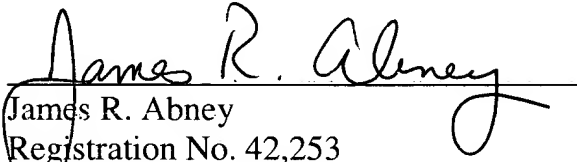
Applicants filed a first Status Request on October 15, 2002, and received a response dated November 4, 2002 stating "[w]e project that this application will be first examined in 0 to 3 months from today." However, even though this projection called for an action about two years ago, none apparently was issued.

Applicants filed a second Status Request on April 30, 2003, and did not receive a response.

Accordingly, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would inform the undersigned attorney of record if an action may be expected soon, and if so, the approximate date.

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